

GERMAN PLOT INVOLVES TWO CAPITAL MEN

Grand Jury Action Against
Washingtonians May Follow
Meloy's Arrest.

VAST CONSPIRACY FOUND

Charges that Berlin Financed
Huerta's Attempted Revolt
Are Repeated.

CASE PROBED IN NEW YORK

Evidence Furnished by Department of
Justice Supports Sensational
Charges.

Developments more sensational
than those growing out of the case
of James F. J. Archibald, which
already has resulted in the recall of
Dr. Dumba, the Austrian Ambassa-
dor, may be expected from the
arrest of Andrews D. Meloy at
New York.

The alleged passport frauds in
which Meloy is charged with being
implicated, and other matters about
which he is said to be well ac-
quainted, are now being investi-
gated by the grand jury in New
York City, upon information gath-
ered by the agents of the Depart-
ment of Justice.

It may be stated upon high au-
thority that the investigation of the
Department of Justice has led to
these disclosures:

That German money has been
used in Mexico and in the United
States to foment trouble and em-
broil the United States in war with
Mexico.

That German money was back
of the revolution for President
Huerta recently attempted to start,
and that his campaign presumably
was to have been financed by Franz
Renteln, German agent and com-
panion of Meloy, who now is under
detention in England by the British
government.

That the discovery of the employment
of German funds and their source was
the chief factor that led to Huerta's
arrest and confinement in a Texas military
post.

That Renteln, personally, or through
his representatives, attempted to deal
with both military factions in Mexico,
but more particularly with the Villistas,
in his effort to drag this government into
the trouble and forced armed interven-
tion.

That at least two men of prominence
in Washington are involved in this plan
to embarrass the United States. They acted
as representatives of the German govern-
ment or Renteln to such an extent
that their activities may be brought to
the attention of the grand jury.

That Franz Renteln was under surveil-
lance by the Department of Justice agents
from the time of his arrival in this coun-
try last April until his departure for Eu-
rope early last August on the Noord-
dam, and that practically all his acts
during that time are known to the De-
partment of Justice.

Renteln is known to be a retired cap-
tain in the German navy and one of
the prominent bankers of Germany. He
has visited this country a number of
times on various errands in which the
German government was interested, his
latest visit being for the alleged specific
purpose of stirring up trouble in Mexico,
according to the investigations that have
been made.

In pursuit of this, Renteln endeavored
to operate through Felix Sommerfeld, a
German and Villa agent in New York
City. It was through the testimony of
Sommerfeld before the New York grand
jury Friday that many of the facts dis-
covered by the Department of Justice
were brought to the attention of the jury.

The Department of Justice will not ad-
mit that Renteln told Sommerfeld of
his plans to spend German money to em-
broil the United States, although the
fact that Sommerfeld refused to have
anything to do with Renteln is well
known at the department. It also was
apparent yesterday from the guarded
statements of officials of the department
that the character of the evidence that
Sommerfeld would give to the grand
jury was known to them.

Prussian Losses, 1,916,148.

Amsterdam, (via London), Oct. 2.—The
casualty lists, number 330 to number
339, covering the period from September
22, to September 28, give the names of
62,628 men killed, wounded and missing,
according to the Nieuwe Rotterdamse
Courant of Rotterdam. The Courant
says that these figures increase the
total casualties to 1,916,148.

G. O. P. SLIGHTS MOOSE ISSUES.

Maine Democrats Indorse Wilson.
Republicans Run His Policies.

Boston, Oct. 2.—President Wilson's ad-
ministration was emphatically indorsed
by the Democrats and roundly scored by
the Republicans in their respective State
conventions held here today. The Re-
publicans loudly proclaimed their re-
union with the Progressives, but in their
State platform did not include some of
the more Progressive measures, which the
more Progressive leaders had sought.
Gov. David I. Walsh, the Democratic
nominee, and former Congressman Samuel
W. McCall, the Republican candidate for
governor, were received with wild en-
thusiasm at their respective conventions
as were the other heads of the rival
State tickets.

American Women In Grave Peril

Forty at Cananea, Mexico,
Exposed to Cruelty of Law-
less Elements.

Forty American women in Cananea,
Mex., are in grave peril, according to
State Department advices yesterday. The
town, which is in Northern Sonora, has
been without military protection of any
kind for eight days.

The lawless elements are said to be in
full control. Besides the forty American
women there are 400 American men there.
The State Department took occasion
again to warn Americans to leave that
country and to stay out of it. It had
been reported that some American women
who had left there were going to return.

Lansing Receives Constitutionalists.
New York, Oct. 2.—Secretary Lansing
today received representatives of the Car-
ranza government and was given in-
formation that will be used as the gen-
eral basis for the United States govern-
ment's decision on the question of recog-
nition of whichever Mexican seems best
fitted to rule that country.

Soon after Count von Bernstorff took
his leave of the Secretary, Luis Cabrera,
minister of finance in the Carranza cabi-
net, and Roberto Pequeñera, one of Gen.
Carranza's most prominent advisers, called.
Mr. Lansing gave no hint of his atti-
tude. Soon after Charles A. Douglas,
attorney for the Carranza government,
called. The Secretary again contented
himself with listening.

This week Mr. Lansing will receive rep-
resentatives of the Villa faction and dele-
gates from other factions.

WILSON FOR BIG ARMY AND NAVY INCREASES

Munitions Makers Promise to Give
Government Preference in
All Contracts.

Assurances were obtained from the
highest sources last night that the Presi-
dent will recommend substantial in-
creases in the army and navy.

The War Department has already asked
and received promises from the big man-
ufacturers of munitions and steel that
they will hold themselves in readiness at
all times to give the government prefer-
ence in all contracts.

Officials now indicate that the follow-
ing are needed to make effective the
comprehensive plan of national defense
prepared by Secretary of War Garrison:
Five hundred guns of the three-inch
field type and six-inch howitzer type.

One million rounds of ammunition for
all types of guns.
From \$2,000,000 to \$3,000,000 for a con-
tinuing contract to erect a fortress with
sixteen-inch guns to command the en-
trance to Chesapeake Bay.

The earliest possible extension and
completion of the plans for defense at
San Pedro, on the Pacific Coast.

It is understood that many parts of the
plans of the Secretary of War relate
principally to the raising of an emer-
gency army from skeleton organizations in
the several military departments of
the United States.

BIG GUNS PREPARE WAY.

Artillery Cannonade Said to Be Pre-
liminary to New Drive.

Paris, Oct. 2.—The French progress in
Champaigne continues without abatement,
although the official communiques are
becoming more laconic and lacking in de-
tails. The reason given by a foreign
official for the meagerness of de-
tails in the latest communiques is that
the artillery is now engaged in doing to
the second line just what it did to the
first—applying the "iron curtain," as the
French call it—and carrying out the or-
ders of the general commanding that par-
ticular army. "I expect you to do so
your work that the infantry can advance
with their rifles on their shoulders."

AUSTRIA WELCOMES WAR LOAN.

Economic Conditions of Dual Mon-
archy Improving, Newspaper Says.

Berlin (by wireless via Saville),
Oct. 2.—News of a third Austrian war
loan has been received very favorably
by Austro-Hungarian financial circles,
says the North German Gazette. This
newspaper states that economic condi-
tions are much more favorable in the
dual monarchy, that the iron and coal
industries are almost normal, and that
deposits in banks are increasing.

Fire Damages Newspaper Plant.

Toledo, Ohio, Oct. 2.—Fire today dam-
aged the Toledo Times Building and
threatened three hotels in the immediate
vicinity. The damage was \$25,000.

WORKMEN WIN OVER JOHN D.

New Plan by Son Bridges
Difficulties of Fifty
Years.

CONTRACT IS SIGNED AT CONVENTION WITH MINERS

Rockefeller Interests Launch New
Plan that Embraces Demands
of Colorado Fuel and Iron Company
and its Employees.

Pueblo, Colo., Oct. 2.—John D. Rock-
efeller Jr., today launched his indus-
trial representation plan which is de-
signed to end industrial strife between
the Colorado Fuel and Iron Company
and its employees.

The two cardinal features of the
plan are a recognition of the princi-
ple of collective bargaining, and a
pledge not to discriminate against em-
ployees because of their membership in
labor unions. These are believed to
be the features which will appeal di-
rectly to organized labor. The first
concrete result of this epochal atti-
tude of the Rockefeller interests
toward their employees is the actual
acceptance by the two of an agree-
ment, which pledges the company to
practically everything union labor has
been striving for during the past fifty
years, save formal recognition of the
union.

Terms of Agreement.
Following is the contract, agreed
upon at today's convention, which re-
quires now both the signatures of the
officials of the company and the rep-
resentatives duly elected under the
adopted plan to give it binding ef-
fect:

"It is mutually understood and agreed
that in addition to the rights and priv-
ileges guaranteed the employees of the
company, in the industrial representation
plan herewith, the following stipulations
respecting employment, living and work-
ing conditions shall govern the parties
hereto from the date of their signatures
hereon until January 1, 1916, and shall
continue thereafter subject to revision
upon ninety days' notice by either of the
parties.

"The charge to employees for dwellings
without bath shall not exceed \$2 per room
per month.

Care of Miners' Homes.
The present uniform charge of 40
cents per electric light per month, with
free light on porches, shall not be in-
creased.

"There shall be no charge for domestic
water, except in cases where the com-
pany is obliged to purchase the same. In
such cases the charges will be substan-
tially the cost to the company.

"The rates to be charged employees for
power and domestic coal shall be sub-
stantially their cost to the company.

"To encourage employees to cultivate
flower and vegetable gardens, the com-
pany agrees to fence, free of charge,
each house-lot owned by it.

"As the need becomes manifest, the
company will continue its present policy
of providing, as rapidly as possible,
suitable bath houses and social centers
in the nature of club houses, for its em-
ployees at the several mining camps."

"Eight hours shall constitute a day's
work for all underground employees. This
shall mean eight hours exclusive of noon
hour, and the time required to go and
come from the mine opening to the place
of employment. Nine hours shall con-
stitute a day's work for all outside labor,
except firemen and engineers.

Terms of Employment.
"All employees shall be paid semi-
monthly by check. No deductions shall
be made from earnings, except when
authorized by employees.

"No charge affecting conditions of em-
ployment with respect to wages or hours
shall be made without first giving thirty
days' notice as provided by statute.

"The schedule of wages and the work-
ing conditions now in force in the sev-
eral districts shall continue without re-
duction, but if, prior to January 1, 1916,
a general increase shall be granted in
competitive districts, in which the com-
pany does not conduct operations, pro-
portional increase shall be made. For
this purpose a joint meeting of the
miners' representatives and proper offi-
cers of the company shall be called
within thirty days after the increase in
competitive districts is effective to dis-
cuss and determine an equitable meth-
od for fixing the new scale in the districts
affected."

Following an address by Rockefeller,
in which he explained the details of the
plan, the convention went into executive
session for its consideration.

The Rockefeller representation plan
was adopted unanimously. One of the
union members, representing the Rock-
efeller miners, made a speech heartily in-
dorsing the plan. Immediately after the
convention a meeting of the board of
directors of the C. F. and I. was con-
vened, at which the plan was adopted in
behalf of the company.

Contract Is Unique.
Copies of the plan are being sent out
to the mine superintendents tonight, and
on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday the
miners will vote on it. Rockefeller left
Pueblo tonight for Denver.

The contract adopted today is de-
clared to be unique in the history of
the relations between capital and
labor. For the first time the men and
their employers dealing directly with
enter upon a man to man agreement.

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MURDER AFTER BRYAN TALK.

Commoner Nearby Witness as Woman
Shoots Down Husband's Slayer.

Hillsboro, Tex., Oct. 2.—William J.
Bryan missed being a witness in a
murder case by a few minutes today.
He left the speaker's stand, after con-
cluding a disarming speech, shortly
before Mrs. Joseph Kirkpatrick shot
and killed Dr. A. C. Saylers. Saylers
killed Mrs. Kirkpatrick's husband sev-
eral weeks ago. Saylers was sitting
in an automobile listening to Bryan
speak.

At the conclusion of the address as
Bryan retired from the platform Mrs.
Kirkpatrick started shooting, using
two automatic pistols. Saylers was
instantly killed.

Bernstorff and Lansing Confer

Meeting in New York Hotel
Lasts Only Nine Minutes
and Fifty Seconds.

New York, Oct. 2.—The much-heralded
"conference" between Secretary of State
Lansing and Count von Bernstorff, the
German Ambassador, today lasted just
nine minutes and fifty seconds. The Am-
bassador called upon the Secretary at the
latter's rooms in the Biltmore, exchanged
greetings and handed Mr. Lansing a
packet of papers. Neither man would
discuss the nature of the papers nor the
reason for the meeting.

"There is nothing I can say," declared
Mr. Lansing, "because matters are not,
by this meeting, concluded. Count von
Bernstorff saw me, but we shall have
other conferences, although I am not in
a position to say when."

"Is the fact that the meeting consumed
fewer than ten minutes indicative of
anything?" the Secretary was asked.
"Not at all," he replied. "Why, yes, I
did receive papers. It is generally cus-
tomary at such meetings. I shall return
to Washington tonight. It is likely that
the Ambassador and I shall confer there.
Thus far the matter is quite confidential,
and I am compelled to decline to discuss
it. In Washington I shall confer at once
with the President. Something may be
made public in Washington next week.
Certainly I shall say nothing now."

The German Ambassador was even
more reticent. But on a most reliable
authority it may be said that at least one
portion of the papers handed the Sec-
retary contained the Imperial German gov-
ernment's arguments on the Arabic case.

STORM'S DEATH TOLL ESTIMATED AT 300

Known Dead Already 180—List of
New Orleans Dead Totals
Twenty-five.

New Orleans, Oct. 2.—It is believed
the total of 300 lives lost will be the toll
of the tropical storm that swept Louisiana
and Mississippi Wednesday. The known
dead are 180, 300 are reported as among
the victims, and 125 names are listed
among the missing.

Ninety crews of fishing schooners figure
as a notable part of those who perished.
New Orleans and its environs suffered a
loss of twenty-five lives. The fury of the
storm fell particularly upon the shipping
along the Mississippi River.

The frail fishing vessels sheltered in
the harbor at Gulfport and on the New
Orleans River front were swept high and
dry upon the banks. More than 150 of the
small vessels met this fate, most of them
being totally wrecked.

In the section of plantation land about
the river delta the havoc has been com-
plete. Whole crops are destroyed, orange
groves leveled and the buildings swept
out to sea.

Leaves were crumpled and washed
away for miles up the river. Hundreds
of refugees are reported marooned on the
portions of levees that remain standing.
The water lies at a depth of from five to
fifteen feet throughout the deluged districts.

Relief parties are working effectively
over the stricken sections.

GIBBONS FORMS RELIEF PLAN.

Will Ask Funds of Catholics of
United States for Mexicans.

Baltimore, Oct. 2.—A nation-wide ap-
peal for relief of starving Mexicans,
addressed to the Catholics of the United
States through Catholic prelates and
clergymen, is the plan put into effect
today at a conference held between
Cardinal Gibbons and two of the most
prominent workers in the church at
the cardinal's residence here.

The conference was attended by
Thomas M. Mulry, president of the
St. Vincent de Paul Society, and Rev.
William J. Kerby, professor of sociology
at the Catholic University in Wash-
ington. The promulgation of the ap-
peal was the direct result of the plan
made by Archbishop Ruiz, one of the
most prominent prelates of Mexico,
who recently returned to the United
States to lay before Cardinal Gibbons
the truth of the distress in the revolu-
tion-ridden republic as learned by
him in first-hand investigation.

British to Release Goods.
The British Embassy yesterday after-
noon notified the foreign trade advisers
of the State Department that goods
held up in Rotterdam, valued at nearly
\$600,000, and consigned to four American
firms will be released at once for ship-
ment to this country. Other individual
releases will be announced from time
to time, it was stated.

Former Capital Society Belle Faces Divorce Suit in London

Sequel to Case of Mrs. Ida Mar-
celle French, Daughter of For-
mer Postmaster General Wynne,
to Be Heard October 12.

Special Cable to The Washington Herald.

London, Oct. 2.—What promises to be
a sensational sequel to an Anglo-Ameri-
can divorce case is due to be heard in
the high courts here when they recon-
vene October 12. The principals are Capt.
Ronald French, of the British army, a
cousin of the present Lord de Freyne,
and Mrs. Ida Marcelle French, daughter
of Robert John Wynne, formerly Post-
master General in President Roose-
velt's Cabinet and also for five years
consul general at London.

It will be remembered that in Decem-
ber, 1912, Mrs. French brought suit for
divorce against her husband, alleging
misconduct with an unnamed lady at
Falmouth. Capt. French did not defend
the suit at the trial, and Sir Samuel
Evans, president of the divorce court,
granted the wife a decree nisi with the
custody of her small daughter.

Proctor Asks Reversal.
Before the decree could be made final
certain allegations were brought to the
notice of the King's proctor, with the
result that he has intervened and is now
asking the court to rescind the decree on
the ground that Mrs. French is not en-
titled to the relief she asks because of
allegations as to her mode of life both
before and since the hearing in her
divorce suit.

The King's proctor alleges that in fact
Mrs. French and Frank Mills Andrews,
who is a well-known New York architect,
were living together as man and wife
while the divorce suit was pending and
have been doing so ever since. He names
a number of specific instances, alleging,
for instance, that Mrs. French and Mr.
Andrews stayed together at Claridge's
Hotel in London from November 24 to
December 1, 1912, and also that at vari-
ous times they stayed together at the
Piccadilly Hotel and other places in Lon-
don.

Denial by Mrs. French.
Mrs. French strenuously denies the al-
legations and says in her answer:

"Mr. Andrews is my guardian. He is
taking care of me at the request of my
father and mother."

Much evidence has been collected by
the King's proctor in the United States,
Paris, and London, and the coming trial
is largely to be the most sensational one
of the session.

Capt. French says he was introduced
to Andrews by some American friends
while he was staying at the Plaza Hotel
in New York with his wife in January,
1912. Mrs. French and Andrews were then
very friendly, he says, and while they
were staying at the Plaza he saw An-
drews kiss his wife. Another incident
given by Capt. French had to do with a
midnight automobile ride. He says:

In Motor with Friend.
"While we were staying at the Plaza
on one occasion my wife went with Frank
Andrews to Blossom Heath. They motor-

CONSUL DENIES WILSON ASKED HIM TO RESIGN

T. St. John Gaffney, American Rep-
resentative at Munich, Says British
Are Framing Him.

Amsterdam, Oct. 2.—The Meunchnr
Zeitung prints an interview with T. St.
John Gaffney, American consul general
at Munich, denying reports that his
resignation has been requested by Presi-
dent Wilson and repudiating assertions
said to have been made by him in
criticism of the American administra-
tion. The interview says:

"I know of these accusations only
through the newspapers. Neither by the
American Ambassador at Berlin, nor by
the Washington government has the ques-
tion ever been raised.

"When, where and how I am supposed
to have carried on anti-British propa-
ganda is inexplicable to me. Equally
false is the assertion that I have criti-
cized the policies of President Wilson.

"The efforts of the British press to
involve me are due entirely to the fact
that I am an Irishman. This is enough
to convict me of having little en-
thusiasm for British politics."

Regarding the banquet he is said to
have given in honor of Sir Roger Cas-
ement, the pro-German British exile, Mr.
Gaffney declares that Sir Roger was
present at the express wish of former
Mayor McClellan, of New York, at a
dinner in the latter's honor on his recent
visit to Munich.

APPEAL FOR RECRUITS.

London Stages Demonstration to In-
crease War Forces.

London, Oct. 2.—A great demon-
stration to promote recruiting took place
here today. Headed by sixty brass bands
the units for which more troops are
needed to fill out the quotas of the reg-
iments marched through the principal
streets. Similar demonstrations are be-
ing held in other cities.

Boy Struck by Auto.

Thomas Sweeney, 14, of 1088 Girard
street northwest, last night was struck
by an automobile driven by Leonard
White, while playing in Harvard street
near Fourteenth street northwest. He
was taken to his home and treated for
slight injuries.

Police Official Sent Whisky in Coffin, Is Charged; Man in Tails

Chattanooga, Tenn., Oct. 2.—
Charged with shipping whisky
from Chattanooga into adjoining
States in coffin, T. C. Betterton,
police commissioner of the city
of Chattanooga, was arrested to-
day by Federal authorities.

It is charged that Betterton,
who is president of the Tennes-
see Coffin and Casket Company,
placed liquor in his coffin ship-
ments as a present to his cus-
tomers.

Secret Service agents have been
at work on the case for some
time.

Serbia Pressed On Three Sides

Germany, Austria, and Bul-
garia Ready to Launch At-
tack in Two Weeks.

London, Oct. 2.—Three great armies—
German, Austrian, and Bulgarian—are
closing in on Serbia ready for a com-
bined and simultaneous smash and drive
through the Balkans to Constantinople.

To the west lies the re-enforced Aus-
trian army; north are gathered the Ger-
man forces, said to comprise eight army
corps; southeast the Bulgarian legions
are assembling 250,000 strong. More than
1,000,000 men will be involved in the
supreme effort to crush the little kingdom
of Serbia. All three wait the signal for
the invasion of Serbia, and that signal,
according to dispatches received today
from Nish, will be received within two
weeks.

The massing of the three armies for
the attack was discovered by Anglo-
French aviators, who have been sent as
one contingent of the armed relief which
the allies are sending to Serbia in her
extremity. Great masses of Germans
were seen between the Save and the
Drina, and others, regiment after reg-
iment, were spied pouring into the Hun-
garian district of Banah.

Austria will send an ultimatum to Rou-
mania, demanding the free passage of
munitions for Turkey, according to a
Cologne dispatch. The ultimatum, it is
said, will be couched in friendly terms,
and will name an interval in which Rou-
mania may reply.

Germany has already opened a separate
attack against Serbia, according to re-
ports from the Balkans tonight. An at-
tempt to cross the Danube near Semendria,
terminal point on one of the principal
Serbian railways, is said to have failed.

It is believed that in view of the threat-
ening attitude of Bulgaria, allied troops
already are on their way to Macedonia
to co-operate with the Serbs against Ger-
many, Austria, and Bulgaria. The en-
trance of Greece into the war the mo-
ment Bulgaria strikes is confidently
predicted here and in Paris, while Roumania
also is expected to take a hand in view
of the menacing attitude of Austria,
which is reported to have threatened re-
prisals unless Roumania allows the pas-
sage of arms to Turkey.

Russia is preparing to deliver an ulti-
matum to Bulgaria, according to a state-
ment attributed to Foreign Minister Sazan-
off in dispatches reaching here tonight.
He is said to have declared that Bulgaria
must answer to Russia for her "traitor-
ous course."

PLANS RELIEF FOR JEWS.

Russian Finance Minister to Urge
New Reforms to Curb.

BY W. ORTON TEWSON.
Special correspondent of The Washington Herald.
London, Oct. 2.—I learn on unimpeach-
able authority that M. Bark, Russian
minister of finance, who is visiting
London, as a result of his investigation
here, will recommend strongly on
returning to Petrograd the immediate
granting of liberal reforms, which will
practically do away with the present
Jewish restrictions in Russia and allow
foreign Jews to live in and visit any
part of the Russian empire.

It is stated on the same authority that
reforms will be made within the en-
suing months. It is known that M.
Bark has been much impressed during his
visit here by talks which he has
had with Lord Rothschild and other
Jewish bankers and officials.

SUIT BRINGS TRIPLE CRIME.

Angered at Divorce Action, He Kills
Wife, Maid and Self.

Erie, Pa., Oct. 2.—Angered because she
would not stop divorce proceedings that
had been started a short time ago,
Charles Hanson, today shot and killed his
wife, Carrie Hanson, her maid, Miss
Teresa Sims, and then committed suicide.
Hanson attacked his wife as she lay in
bed, striking her over the head, before
he fired the fatal shot. The maid was
sleeping on a cot in the room and it is
believed she arose and attempted to
prevent the tragedy. In so doing she
forfeited her own life.

Just What Did Bryan Mean?

Dallas, Tex., Oct. 2.—Former Secretary
of State William J. Bryan, who arrived
here today to deliver a lecture on
"Peace," became very angry when re-
porters asked him if he would be a can-
didate for President again.

"That question is both impertinent and
foolish," he exclaimed as he dismissed
the reporter.

ANOTHER DRIVE